

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1168

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served September 7, 1971

Schedule Changes for WMA)
Transit Company -- Route)
T-6.)

Docket No. 232

On August 18, 1971, WMA Transit Company (WMA) filed with the Commission proposed schedule changes for its Route T operations in Prince Georges County, Maryland and Washington, D. C.

The changes involve additional express service via John Hanson Highway, additional service to the Southwest Employment Area, Washington, D. C., reduced frequency of mid-day and Saturday service between Belair, Maryland and Farragut Square, Washington, D. C., the discontinuance of the loop operation in Belair between 8:00 A. M. and 5:30 P. M., and the elimination of the mid-day shuttle service and the reduction of Saturday service between Beltway Plaza and Mattapony Apartments, Maryland.

Under Regulation 60, such schedule changes, if properly filed, can become effective without affirmative Commission action. In this instance, none of the proposed changes but one have engendered any significant adverse reaction from the public. As to these unopposed schedule changes, we shall permit them to become effective automatically.

However, a considerable number of inquiries have been made concerning the reduction of service on the T-6, Beltway Plaza/Mattapony Apartments Shuttle. We believe that a further inquiry into the basis for this particular service adjustment is warranted and we shall set a public hearing in the T-6 service area of Maryland in order to elicit more detailed comments from members of the public affected by WMA's proposal. We will, of course, expect the staff to

monitor the adjusted WMA services in the period immediately following their effectiveness so as to determine whether further adjustments on the routes involved therein might be necessary.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That WMA Transit Company's proposal to reduce service on the T-6 Beltway Plaza/Mattapony Shuttle be, and it is hereby, suspended and scheduled for a public hearing on Friday, September 24, 1971, at 1:30 P. M., in the New Carrollton Town Hall at 8511 Legation Road, New Carrollton, Maryland.

2. That WMA Transit Company post notice of the requested changes and time and place of hearing thereon in its buses operating over the affected routes.

3. That WMA Transit Company publish notice of the requested changes and time and place of hearing thereon in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, once, on or before September 10, 1971.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:


DOUGLAS N. SCHNEIDER, JR.
Executive Director